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Sent: 12/10/2019 6:50:56 PM

To: O'Loughlin, Connor [oloughlin.connor@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Blades Salient

Connor, looks good, could you just add Charlie Root's name at the end. Please send it to Sasha, thank you.

From: O'Loughlin, Connor <oloughlin.connor@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 1:29 PM

To: Thomas, Christopher < Thomas. Christopher@epa.gov>

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Chris,

Attached is the salient for the public meeting for the Blades groundwater Site. Let me know what you think.

EPA Hosts Public Meeting for Proposal of Blades Groundwater to the National Priorities List (NPL), Blades, Delaware: On December 5, 2019, Region 3 hosted a public meeting at the Blades Fire Hall in Blades, DE, to discuss the proposed NPL listing of Blades Groundwater. The meeting was promoted by multiple news outlets, and via a postcard that was sent on November 8, 2019 to nearly 500 residents and businesses in the area. EPA also published press releases, a public notice in a local newspaper, and did door to door outreach to inform the community of the public meeting and NPL proposal. The meeting provided an overview of the site, discussed the NPL proposal, and reviewed the 60-day public comment period. The public meeting was attended by approximately 60 citizens. Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) representatives, representatives from the Town of Blades, a representative from the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), and a representative from the Delaware Division of Public Health were also in attendance and available to answer questions. The meeting was well received and attendees had great questions for the Site team members. Several media outlets were present at the meeting. Current sampling has identified metals and PFAS contamination in three public drinking water wells and eight residential wells that make up the wellfield. The Town of Blades continues to treat the raw water and its drinking water meets federal and state safe drinking water standards. The Blades Groundwater Site was proposed to the NPL on November 8, 2019 and the 60-day comment period on the proposal will close on January 7, 2020.

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